

VERA STEINER KNISS



We are saddened to announce the peaceful passing of Vera Steiner Kniss on July 8, 2023, in Wexford, Pennsylvania, after a courageous battle with lung cancer. Born on April 1, 1946, in Munich, Germany, Vera was a radiant soul who touched many lives with her thoughtfulness, resilience, and boundless spirit.

Vera was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She leaves behind her loving husband, George Kniss; her children, Kristin Kuhns, Susan Bronder, and Steven Matolcsy; and her cherished grandchildren, Mick Mlay, Emma Bronder, and Max, Mia, and Eli Matolcsy. She nurtured her family with an abundance of love, setting an example of strength and fierce passion that will continue to inspire them.

A woman of many talents and versatile skills, Vera completed her GED and earned an Associate's Degree through CCAC. She made her mark in the workforce as a manager in the retail and hospitality industries, where she was highly regarded for her professionalism, leadership, and commitment to customer service. Later in her career, she found joy and fulfillment working as a pet groomer, combining her passion for animals with her professional endeavors.

Vera was an impressive polyglot, fluent in four languages. This linguistic prowess was a testament to her intellectual curiosity and love for different cultures, which she demonstrated through her extensive travels. She had a unique ability to make friends wherever she went, creating connections that spanned countries and continents.

An avid animal lover, Vera found great joy in caring for her pets and the occasional stray who found their way to her door. She also had an exceptional green thumb. Her garden was small but vibrant, reflecting her nurturing heart and zest for life. Vera was an excellent cook and her recipes were inspired by her German ancestry.

Vera was a stalwart Pittsburgh Steelers fan, never missing a game and always proudly donning her team's colors.

"Imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try. No hell below us - Above us, only sky. You may say I'm a dreamer. But I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will be as one." A humanist and atheist, Vera believed in treating your fellow man as you would want to be treated - not out of fear of punishment from God, but because it was the right thing to do.

In Vera, we remember a woman of grace, strength, and honesty. Her passionate nature and generous spirit will be deeply missed. Yet, we smile knowing that her legacy lives on in the hearts of those she loved and who loved her. Her memory will forever be a beacon of love, reminding us to appreciate the beauty around us, cherish our loved ones, and enjoy every moment that life grants us.

Vera Steiner Kniss, you were loved in life and will be dearly missed in death. You have left an indelible mark on this world, and your spirit will forever live on in our hearts.

Family and friends are welcome on Friday, July 14, 2023, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Friday, July 14, 2023, at 3 p.m. in the Funeral Home's Chapel.

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